

American Revolution



Setting

- Historically speaking, right now “we” are British. The Colonies are an extension of Britain, so we share their government, their identity, their pride, and also their enemies. There is NO United States of America.

French & Indian War

- The French and Indian War was a _____-year war between England and the American colonies, against the _____ and some of the Indians in North America.
- When the war ended, France was no longer in control of Canada.
- The Indians that had been threatening the American colonists were defeated.
- Great Britain spent a great deal of _____ fighting the war and colonists fully participated in this war.

Impact of the French & Indian War

- The _____ of the war and of controlling the newly acquired territories was _____.
- The British looked to the _____ to help _____ those costs.
- That began the long spiral of events that led to the Revolution.

Proclamation 1763

- Forbade American colonists from _____ of the Appalachian Mountains.
- This was intended to stabilize relations with the Native American population
- Colonists were _____ they had either purchased land west of the mountains or had received land grants for services rendered during the war

Taxation Without Representation

- As the British government assessed methods for generating funds, it was decided to implement new taxes on the colonists

- Taxed things such as:

- sugar
- Newspapers
- molasses
- lead
- paint
- &more

WRITE IN THE CORRECT ACT

- _____ - Placed a tax on all printed material, such as newspapers, marriage license, playing cards, and over 40 other documents
- _____ - It placed a tax on molasses and sugar imported by the colonies.
- _____ - Placed taxes on glass, paint, oil, lead, paper, and tea
- _____ - American colonist have to provide the British soldiers with: food, beer & wine, bedding, utensils, candles, & firewood

2 Groups Emerged

- _____ - Colonists who challenged British authority and will eventually seek independence
- _____ - Colonists who remained loyal to the British Monarchy

Boycott British Goods

- _____ of 1767 had imposed new taxes on lead, paint, paper, glass, and tea imported to the colonies. In protest, the colonists _____ (refused to buy) these goods.
- In addition, they started attacking public officials like the governor and tax collectors.
- Britain responded by _____ to keep order in 1768.

Daughters of Liberty

- Women signed pledges against drinking tea,
- promised not to buy British-made cloth, and met at
- spinning clubs to make their own cloth

Boston Massacre

An angry mob of colonists gathered near a customs house that British soldiers were guarding. Colonists began throwing snowballs at the troops. Troops fired into the crowd.

- This event became known as the _____.
- _____ dead; _____ wounded

- Following the Boston Massacre, Townshend Acts were repealed (ended), except for the tax on tea.

Tea Act 1773

The Townshend Act was repealed but a new Tea Act was implemented which didn't sit well with the Sons of Liberty.

- Allowed the East India Company to become a monopoly, becoming the colonies only source of tea
- The company was not taxed to ship the tea to the colonies, but the colonies had to pay a tax to England for the tea.
- led to a _____ on _____ & eventually the event known as the Boston Tea Party

Boston Tea Party

- Colonists along with the Sons of Liberty went aboard the ships Beaver, Dartmouth, & Eleanor and dumped boxes of British tea into the Boston Harbor as a form of protest

Continental Congress

- The Boston Tea Party, as it became known, greatly
 - angered England's King George III, and he dispatched even more troops to the colonies in 1774.
 - The colonists continued with their boycotts and written protests in newspapers and will even create the "_____"
- with elected colonial delegates to address the growing _____ between the colonies and England.

Shot Heard Around the World

- On April 19, as the redcoats (British soldiers) headed to Concord, Massachusetts Paul Revere and another rider mounted their horses. They then rode as fast as they could toward Lexington and Concord Massachusetts yelling "The regulars are coming! The regulars are coming! Paul Revere was able to wake up enough of the colonial minutemen so they would be prepared to fight. Local militiamen clashed with British soldiers in Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts, marking the first shots fired in the Revolutionary War and by the following summer, the rebels were waging a full-scale war for their independence.
- Over _____ British Redcoats and _____ American minutemen were wounded or killed during the first engagement of the war.

Enlightenment Influence

- Americans were literate & read books by leading _____ thinkers, especially _____, & used these ideas to justify their protest

Declaration of Independence

- By June _____, with the Revolutionary War in full swing, a growing majority of the colonists had come to favor independence from Britain.
- On _____, the Continental Congress voted to adopt the _____ Independence, drafted by a five-man committee including Franklin and John Adams but written mainly by _____.
 - Jefferson, uses ideas of _____ (Life, Liberty, and Property → Life, Liberty, & the Pursuit of Happiness)
 - Rousseau- _____
- The Declaration outlined why the colonists should be free of British rule
- Benjamin Franklin, one of the most famous men the world, was also sent to France to ask for military aid as well as a loan & the war was on!

The War Ends

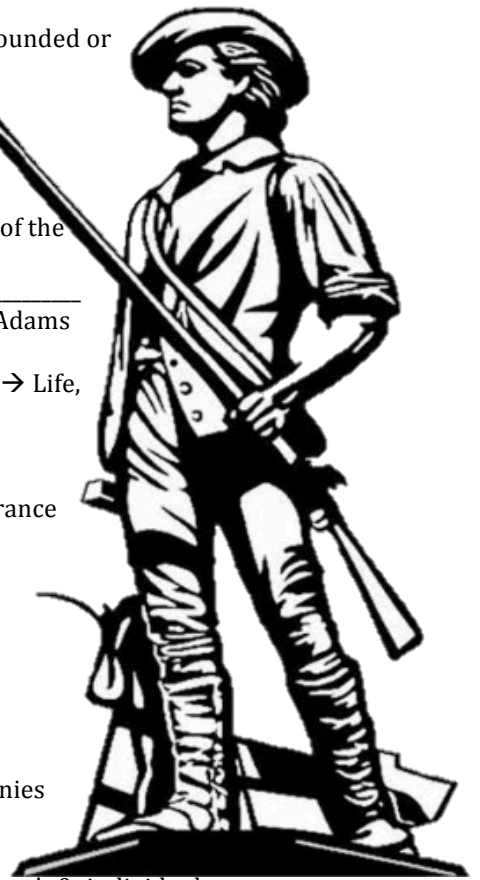
- The 13 colonies joined together and fought the British under the guidance of George _____
 - Revolutionary War ended in _____

The Treaty of Paris 1783

- Officially ended the war with Britain
- Set the geographic boundaries for the new United States
 - Gave Americans much _____ than original 13 colonies

American Revolution Significance

- It was the first time a colony _____ its mother country
- It was the first time a gov't was created using Enlightenment ideas of limited gov't & individual _____
- The success in America _____ revolutions in Europe & Latin America



SUMMARY - Summarize your notes using the following words: *French & Indian War; colonists; patriot, Declaration of Independence; American Revolution*